## **Drinking Water Sampling for free Lead Testing**

By proclamation of the Governor, all residents and schools served by St. Joseph Water System will be sampled for Lead Testing.

## First Draw Sampling for Lead

- Only collect samples from Kitchen or Bathroom sink <u>cold water</u> faucets which have not been used for at <u>least 6 hours</u>. Best to collect sample first thing in the morning or after work.
- Do not remove the aerator from the faucet.
- Do not flush/run the faucet before collecting the sample. Must collect first draw of water.
- Do not collect samples from a sink with a water softener or filter attached.

## Sample Collection for Lead— How to fill the bottle

- Collect first draw sample by:
  - Place the provided sample bottle underneath the cold water faucet;
  - Fill the sample bottle until there is 1/2 to 1 inch of free space at the top; and
  - Snap bottle cap on tightly and evenly on all sides. Keep the bottom ring on the cap.
- Using a marker, label bottle with location address.
- Place filled sample bottle and this form at the front door.

## **Sample Location**

Full Name			
Address			Sample Tap Location
Water Last Used	Time:	Date:	Kitchen
Collection Time	Time:	Date:	Bathroom
Homeowner co	llected sample	Collector Name:	
Prefer state per	sonnel to collect	sample Date when state can	collect:
Not participatiı	ng in sampling/to	esting Signature:	
Sample Results			

• Will be provided via mail or hand delivery to each participating customer.

For questions, contact Safe Drinking Water Program at 225-342-7499.

